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11 September 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

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FROM : [REDACTED] Room 1 D 1617, Hqs., Ext. [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT : Vietnam Orientation No. 19
28 August - 1 September 1967

1. Basic Data

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[REDACTED] enrolled completed the 19th running of the Vietnam Orientation, 28 August - 1 September 1967.

2. Changes in Schedule

So many were the changes that I had better list them in outline:

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a. [REDACTED] was replaced by Mr. [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

b. [REDACTED], absent because of illness, was not able to send his frequent substitute, Mr. [REDACTED] who was on leave. 25X1A9a

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c. Mr. [REDACTED] was replaced by [REDACTED].

d. Mr. Holbrook from the White House had duty in the Pentagon; this and the September elections in Saigon prevented him or a substitute from appearing.

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e. Mr. [REDACTED] because of illness, was replaced by Mr. [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

f. Mr. Marsh, from State, accompanied the President's Saigon electoral delegation to Vietnam; Mr. [REDACTED] substituted for him. 25X1A9a

g. The final panel on Friday, probably because of the Labor Day week-end, was completely changed:

- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.
- v.

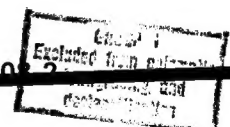
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3. Items of Interest

a. Too many students were absent because of processing. From the inception of this Orientation it was the understanding that persons would carry on necessary processing even while attending the program, but such

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25X1A9a processing was to be kept to the minimum. Even this minimum is disturbing to an instructor who has a valid claim on the full-time attendance of the students. But the minimum was far exceeded this month, so much so that 5 persons complained, in their critiques, of the absenteeism that processing imposed on them. A particularly distressing example of this was the experience of the newly-hired [REDACTED] who joined the class late Monday and was then repeatedly pulled out to go here, there and everywhere--including lengthy briefings at Glebe prior to attending the Ops Fam course; he must have been rendered schizoid by week's end. I shall take up this matter with Mr. [REDACTED] C/Personnel [REDACTED]

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25X1A9a b. Mr. [REDACTED] currently chief of support in Saigon, taped on August 11, when he was home on TDY, a review of the support structure of Vietnam Station; this was re-played to a very attentive class.

4. Critiques

The critiques continue to be favorable; and without intending any invidious comparisons, I am happy to quote the following:

"Having just completed the myriad of lectures involved in the CT course, I was frankly hesitant about this course. I have found it, however, to be an excellent course and the speakers and material presented have been of genuinely superior quality to my previous classes."

which?

As mentioned in Para. 3, a above, 5 persons complained about absenteeism because of processing. Also in the complaint line, 2 persons want me to "Heat that room!" (1 A 07)



Acting Chief, Orientation
and Briefing Faculty

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Student Roster
Schedule

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